20th December 1956] [Mr. Chairman]

hon. Member Sri Purushotham said, I hope we would have the pleasure of seeing her in her uniform. This morning in her robes she looked very nice indeed. (Laughter.) I hope she will one day come to the House in her uniform.

* SRIMATHI MARY C. CLUBWALA JADHAV: Mr. Chairman, Hon. the Leader of the House and hon. Members, I am indeed overwhelmed and honoured by the many kind words of congratulation expressed about me on this honour of being the first woman Sheriff in the City of Madras. I may mention, Mr. Chairman, that Bombay had the honour of having a woman Sheriff, some eight or nine years ago. And also there is a woman Sheriff sworn in today in Bombay and she is, too, another social worker. I am indeed very proud that for the first time our Government—which, as I said, in another platform is very conservative—have chosen a woman to this high office. This is not an honour done to me alone but to my sex. So, I am very proud of this particular honour and I hope that I shall be able to fulfil this duty of mine as best as I can, and I shall try to show that women can perform all the duties that may come their way in their country (interruption) in a better way of course, than men.

I thank you, Mr. Chairman, and the Hon. the Leader of the House and other hon. Members and I am grateful for the great confidence reposed in me by our Government. I thank our Chief Minister, the Governor and the Hon. Ministers for the selection. I thank you all for your kind words and good wishes. I shall try to come in my uniform, if you, Sir, order me to do so.

MR. CHAIRMAN: But I cannot order a Sheriff! Can I?

III.—ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE HON. CHAIRMAN *RE* ELECTION OF TWO MEMBERS TO THE SENATE OF THE ANNAMALAI UNIVERSITY.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have to announce to the House that 3–30
Srimathi S. Manjubhashini and Sri K. Balasubramanya Ayyar, p.m.
M.L.Cs., are the only two candidates duly nominated for election to the Senate of the Annamalai University. As the number of candidates nominated is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, namely, two, I hereby declare them duly elected to the Senate of the Annamalai University.

IV.—GENERAL DISCUSSION ON THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 1957-58—*cont.*

MR. CHAIRMAN: Sri A. Gajapathy Nayagar will now continue his speech on the Budget.

* SRI A. GAJAPATHY NAYAGAR: மன்றத் தலைவர் அவர்களே, நேற்றையதினம் கல்வியைப்பற்றிப் பேசிக்கொண்டிருந்தேன். அதில் முக்கியமான ஒரு கட்டம் முதியோர் கல்வியைப்பற்றியது. அதைப்பற்றி இந்த சபையில் முன்பு நான் ஒரு தீர்மானம் கொண்டுவந்தேன். முதியோர் கல்வியை நமது அரசியலார் கொஞ்சம் ஊக்கத்துடன் பரப்புவார்களேயானால், நம் நாடும் உயர்வடையும். மக்களுடைய அறியாமையும் போகும்.